

GRANT COUNTY FARMERS MARKET

BY-LAWS

BY-LAW CHANGE PROCEDURE: Proposed by-law changes will be clearly mentioned and then voted upon during regular monthly business meetings. In the event that action needs to be made more quickly, the council reserves the right to call a special business meeting.

LOCATION: Will be preset and agreed upon by majority of members. Currently, the Grant County Farmers Market is held at the old Grant County Board of Education Bus Garage Parking Lot on US 25 in Dry Ridge, Kentucky, and next to the Whippy Dip beside the Grant County Park on US 25 in Crittenden, Kentucky.

FIRST DAY TO SELL: Depends upon members' crop readiness.

MEMBERSHIP: Limited to Grant County land owners. Produce must be grown in Grant County.

MEMBERSHIP FEE: Annual fees will be \$50.00 per family. Membership is limited as set by the members. Members must attend at least one business meeting. Dues must be paid by the May business meeting, which closes our membership for the current year. Members cannot sell produce at market until their dues have been paid.

VOTING PRIVILEGES: Members must actively market for one year prior to gaining voting rights in the Market. Furthermore, only two members are permitted to vote per family membership.

SPACE: Will be provided on a first come, first serve basis within the designated area. Market member families may combine produce for selling purposes, however, bought produce is NOT allowed.

TYPES OF PRODUCE TO BE SOLD:

(All federal, state and local laws and ordinances must be followed.)

- Any fruits and vegetables

- Bedding and potted plants, cut flowers (subject to sales tax, which is the seller's responsibility)

- Other specialty items, such as honey, cider, molasses, eggs, and canned goods (with some restrictions)

- Handmade crafts may be allowed if and as approved by the membership.

RESTRICTIONS: No live animals, fresh meat, fish, milk, or milk products may be sold. Produce must be kept off the ground.

CLEAN UP: All sellers will be responsible for their own garbage receptacles, will clean up their own space, and will remove their garbage at the end of the selling day.

CONSUMER RELATIONS: Produce shall be priced and sold by bunch, ear, dozen, bushel, peck, etc., or otherwise sold by the pound by use of an approved scale provided by the seller. No bathroom or baby scales will be permitted. Each grower will provide sacks or proper containers for consumer goods.

PRICING: Will be preset and agreed upon by all members. The prices on the adopted Price List will reflect the minimum pricing.

QUALITY AND FRESHNESS: These are the two key selling points for the grower. No spoiled produce will be offered for sale. Produce offered for sale must meet the required amount of days since last spraying of insecticides or chemicals. The Health Inspector checks periodically.

STEERING COMMITTEE: A Steering Committee of three persons will be elected in January of each year to resolve any conflicts which may arise at market, including non-compliance.

NON-COMPLIANCE: Any seller not in compliance with the above regulations will:

1st - receive a warning; then

2nd - will be asked to vacate the premises permanently.

MEMBERSHIP PERMIT: A duplicate of this form will constitute the membership permit and the privilege to sell. A membership card issued by the President or Secretary may also serve this purpose.

TAXES: Are left to the discretion of each individual seller.

OFFICERS: The President will be nominated and elected by the members in February in even-numbered years for a two-year term. Duties of the President include presiding at meetings, deciding meeting agendas, co-signing all checks written on the Market's bank accounts. In the event of a tie vote, the President's vote shall break the tie.

The Secretary/Treasurer will be nominated and elected by the members in February of odd-numbered years for a two-year term. Duties of the Secretary/Treasurer include maintaining all market records, recording minutes,

handling bank accounts, paying bills, receiving dues, co-signing all checks written on the Market's bank accounts, filing any and all paperwork required, and maintaining current membership information.

NON-DISCRIMINATION: The Grant County Farmers Market does not discriminate in its membership policies. Membership is open to all persons regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

I, the undersigned, have read these regulations governing the Grant County Farmers Market and agree to the above. A violation of the above gives the Steering Committee, present at market, power to end my privilege to sell and revoke the membership privilege - no fees refunded.

I will not hold the Grant County Board of Education and/or the Grant County Fiscal Court responsible in the event of an accident in connection with the operation of the Grant County Farmers Market.

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____
